

**Remarks/Arguments**

Claims 1, 3, 7, 8, 13, and 14 are canceled. Claims 5, 6, 9, 10, and 46-49 are pending in the application and are allowed by the Examiner.

**Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102:**

(1) Claims 1, 3, and 13 are rejected as being anticipated by Ishimaru et al. While Applicants do not concede this rejection, for the sole purpose of moving this application forward, Applicants have canceled claims 1, 3, and 13. The Examiner's rejection is therefore moot and should be withdrawn.

(2) Claims 1, 3, and 14 are rejected as being anticipated by Greenhalgh. While Applicants do not concede this rejection, for the sole purpose of moving this application forward, Applicants have canceled claims 1, 3, and 14. The Examiner's rejection is therefore moot and should be withdrawn.

**Claim Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 103:**

Claims 7, 8, and 14 are rejected as being unpatentable over Ishimaru et al. While Applicants do not concede this rejection, for the sole purpose of moving this application forward, Applicants have canceled claims 7, 8, and 14. The Examiner's rejection is therefore moot and should be withdrawn.

**CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application, as amended, is in condition for allowance. If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles, California telephone number (310) 789-5100 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

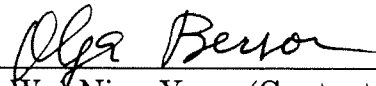
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Respectfully submitted,  
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